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Sebastian, and spread quickly to the residence

The fire is believed to have been caused by

defective electric wire, but another suggestion

is that candles on the sitar of the chapel caused

Noting the arrival at Singapore of the German

a contemporary says: - Since the occurrence

things have gone smoothly and the ship is none

the worse, so far as stability goes. Hold Mo. B

has had a thorough scouring with Chinese

vinegar and water since the fire and the fold is

packed tight with all kinds of cargo including

The report of the Manila Railway Company

(1906) for the year 1908 shows that the net

receipts from the holdings in the Manila Rail-

there is a balance of £112,215. Out of this has

A meeting of the Sanitary Board is called

a quantity of ratten, copra and other lines.

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HONGKONG, JANUARY 1st. 1910. For the last four or five years it has been customary to refer in the annual reviews of local trade and commerce to the prevailing \$50 each and the others \$5 each. depression in the Far East, but the review of the past year's trade leaves us with the impression that on the whole there has been some improvement in trade conditions. Hongkong being a free port (except for the import duty on liquor) there are no figures available to guide us in the matter, but when we turn to the valuable statistical records compiled, by the Chinese Imperial Messrs. Montrie and Co. will be open to-day Maritime Customs which give us the total of the imports from Hongkong into China and the exports from China to the Colony they show that, if there has been a decline in the volume of trade done in the Colony in recent years, it is not in the trade with China. The complete statistics for the year just closed are not yet available, the analysis of the import trade for 1908 being, in fact, only just issued. On the first page of this volume we find set out the total-value of the Foreign Import Trade of China for ten venrs, and it is interesting to observe that Vice-Admiral the from Sir Hedworth Lambthe value of China's trade during the five years 1904-1908 was very much greater than in the quinquennium immediately preceding. We quote below the Import and

Export ret	urns for ten year	в :—
i	IMPORT (GROSS.)	EXPORT.
	Hk. Tls.	Hk. Tls.
1899	273,756,065	195,784,83
1900	222,129,473	158,996,752
1901	277,139,735	169,656,75

325,546,311 214,181,584 214,352,467 336,853,134 1903 239,486,683 357,444,663 1904 461,194,532 227,898,197 428,290,287 236,456,739 429,071,662 264,380,697 276,660,403 409,554,635

When we consult the returns to ascertain the distribution of this trade, we find that Hongkong has had its full share in the increase both of imports and exports. Thus, the returns of the last three years show Hongkong's quota to be as follows:-

IMPORTS FROM EXPORTS TO HONGKONG. HONGKONG. Hk, Tls, Hk, Tls. 144,936,957 82,740,427 97,226,434 155,642,016 1907 150,252,300 92,107,963

As we showed quite recently, Hongkong trade with Indo-China has been showing road Company were £116,916, and after deduccorresponding development. But while there tion of London expenses (less transfer fees) has been increasing trade with China and been paid to account of the interest on the A WALNUIS, and others in Great Variety | the French Colonies, there has been a steady and B debentures £93,200, leaving £19,015. To decline in the trade with places farther this is added the balance from 1907, making afield. When, for example, we ex-£38,093, which it is proposed to carry forward. amine the Foreign Trade returns of Japan we see that ten or twelve years for Tuesday. The orders of the day includago the imports into Japan from Hong kong were valued at from ten to fifteen to select suitable sites for the special sections of million yen per annum. With the rise the Colonial Cemetery to be laid out under of the Japanese mercantile marine and bye law 11, also the report of the Sub-Comthe growth of direct trading between Japan mittee appointed to enquire into three applica-

and Europe, the imports from Hongkong tions for encroschment of monuments, one to erects monument not over a grave. A further gradually declined until in 1906 they had report from the Assistant Medical Officer of reached the low ebb of 684,743 yen, and Health at Kowloon relative to the rat-catching though there has been some improvement system in Kowloon will be submitted. since, the total value of the imports in 1908 was only just above a million yen. Exports to Hongkong from Japan are now less than half what they were ten years ago. Con-

siderable trade has been done hitherto with

shown that even in what is recognised as

for so vast a country—is bound to expand,

The German Mail of the 1st December w

His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria will

address a meeting at the theatre royal to-morrov

evening at nine o'clock. Special music is to be

yesterday fined \$100 each and the remainder

A seaman from the sailing vessel Lundhurst

Four men, who had been arrested for gam-

bling on board a junk, were yesterday brought

before the Magistrate, who fined the first two

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Hon. W. Rees Davies ... \$10

of "Facing the Music" by the Bandmann

Comedy Co. at the Theatre to-night, we are

Our Macao correspondent writes that a safe.

in the Chinese Imperial Maritimes Customs

Office at Malauchow was broken open on

Christmas Eve and a sum of over \$2,000 was

stolen, as well as some valuable jewellery which

The assistant cook at the Water Police

Station appeared before the Magistrate yes-

terday on a charge of plucking a turkey while

it was alive. Inspector Langley saw the cruel

On New Year's Day by kind permission of

ton, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., the Band of H.M.S.

the United Services will be "At Home" on

the Cricket Club Ground from 3 to 6 p.m. on

both days of the match between the Club and

had been placed there for safe custody.

fined 215 or one month in prison.

the United Services.

In connection with the repeat performance

was at the Magistracy yesterday sentenced to

five days' imprisonment for being drunk and

incapable in Connaught Road.

of the Hospitals:-

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

delivered in London yesterday.

the Supreme Court at Singapore last week with the case of Mr. H. Abrams v. the Shanghai Horse Baznar Co., Ltd. The claim was for \$1,417.81, being the balance due for the purchase of fourteen horses at \$350 each and one the Philippines, but the Tariff Law of 1909 at \$550. Plaintiff sent in a bill for \$5,450 puts an end to the transhipment (Singapore money), and he received a draft for of American products and manufactures; at \$4,032,19, the defendants being of opinion that Hongkong, and future trade returns they were purchasing with Mexican dollars, published by the Philippine Government The defendants put in a counter-claim for 1,500 taels for loss sustained. The case had not will doubtless show that the commerce concluded when the last mail left. of this Colony has suffered materially

Mr. Justice Sercombe Smith was engaged in

thereby. Trade conditions are changing, but A sequel to the imprisonment of Francis Hongkong has no occasion to grow unduly Ritchie for obtaining 842 by false pretences from one Fah Tami Bahi trans. pessimistic over these changes. We have nired at the Magistracy yesterday when Pedro Manuel Carmo, the man with period of world-wide commercial depression, whom the complainant lived as his wife, China's foreign trade exhibited signs of was charged with procuring through Francis vigorous growth. As the railways more Ritchie the commission of a misdemeanour effectually open up the country that trade. Defendant asserted that he had before asked money from the woman in the same way. The whose annual value is but little more than a money was his, as he kept her. However, his hundred millions sterling—a trifling amount Worship could not decide the question at once and his decision was reserved and there is no reason why the trade of this

Official trials of a "whistling kitchen" for Colony should not continue to bear the same Army use have been made by the Japanese West Office, says the Japan Mail, and the results are said to have been eminently successful. inventor is a paymaster named Okezaki. The kitchen travels on two wheels, and can be drawn over almost any ground by one horse. It not only boils rice and heats soup, but it notifies by whistle when the cocking is finished. It can take up a supply of water from the muddiest of ditches or pends and transform it into good drinking condition and transform it in that Sergt. J. M. Grant executed a gambling state to the front. The vehicle can be taken warrant at Circular Path on Thursday. Fourasunder and carried on the shoulders of two teen were arrested and the first two were

CORRESPONDENCE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."

Queen's College, with

31st December, 1909 DEAR SIR .- In connection with the above Examinations, it has been notified from Oxford that after 1910 and until further notice the opinion that in explaining the heavy influx of Examination in Classical Chinese will be based on Meng Tzii, Books I.-IV. (Legge's Chinese Classics) for 1910, the Lun Yil is the set book, Candidates who desire to sit at this centre

for the next July Examination should apply for Entry Forms, through their respectiveschools, any time after February 4th, 1910. The latest day on which Entry Forms and asked to mention that the booking office at Fees can be received at this centre is Saturday, 12th, March, 1910, before noon,—Faithfully

T K DEALY,

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued On the 31st at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has fallen moderately to considerably over the China coast, S.W. Japan and the Loochoos, and

risen slightly over the Upper Yangtze. act and killed the bird. The defendant was yesterday, has moved into the Yellow Sea. Pressure is highest over N.E. Japan in the

East, and over the Upper Yangtzein the West. The monsoon will probably freshen in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending merely manufacturing in America for the King Alfred will play on the Cricket Club at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

(*) N; winds, freshening; fair at first, prob-

Ground from 3 to 5 p.m., during the match The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon between the United Services and the Club. to-day is as follows :--Hongkong & Neighbourhood(*) Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth Lamb-Formosa Channel ton. K.C.B., K.C.V.O., H.E. Major-General South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks. R. G. Broadwood, C. B., and the Officers of Bouth coast of China between f

Hongkong and Hainan.

ably some rain later.

Damage estimated at 150,000 peros was done by a fire at Manila last week. It broke out in TELEGRAMS. Protected by the Telegraphic Message

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PROTECTION IN FRANCE.

mail-steamer Prinz Ladwig, homeward bound Lonnes, December 31st. The French Chamber of Deputies has passed the Revision Tariff which takes effect on March 3rd. The Minister of Commerce said that without being excessively protectionist the tariff would greatly benefit French trade.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND BRITISH POLITICS.

London, December 31st. Mr. Chamberlain has sent three messages to Parliamentary candithe report of the Select Committee appointed dates yesterday, and the Radical Press declare that it is impossible to refrain any longer from replying to Mr Chamberlain, who, they say, is using the Red Cross to cover sharp-shooting. The "Morning Leader" states that he is responsible for the crisis which has arisen and that this will prove to

THE AUSTRALIAN STRIKE.

be the greatest blunder in his career.

HEAVY FINES.

London, December 31st.

Reuter's message from Sydney states that thirteen lodge officials and delegates have been prosecuted in connection with the strike, and that they have each been fined £100 or in default two months' hard labour.

DEATH OF EARL PERCY

London, December 31st. Earl Percy has died in Paris from pneumonia.

[Earl Percy, who was only 38 years of age, was the eldest son of the Duke of Northumberland. ment for South Kensington since 1000, prior to he served as a Minister under Mr. Balfour, having been Under Secretary for India in 1902-3, and on the reconstruction of the Ministry in 1903, he was made Under-Secretary State for Foreign Affairs. Earl Percy was a writer of merit, having published "Notes from a Diary in Asiatic Turkey", and "The Highlands of Asiatic Turkey "]

JAPANESE BULLION IMPORTS.

Sir Marcus Samuel in a letter to the Times dealing with those passages in Lord Swaythling's recent speech in the House of Lords which reference was made to the Japanese conditions, urges that, whereas the Japanes have done all they can to encourage capital to the country, excluding investments in securities from taxation, they have largely increased their Sinking Fund. points out how, by judicious tariffs, factories have been cause d to spring up all over Japan and Formosa on an astonishing scale. He contrasts this line of policy with that of Great Britain, and shows that capital is, as a result, driven abroad, and that during the past few months, to his knowledge, many millions have left the country to be invested in Japan, with the stipulation that the bonds remain there for safe custody, and the interest also is to remain there for reinvestment until the owners are convinced that property is again safe in this country. The lesson is obvious. Sir Marcus Samuelis of bullion into Japan we must bear these explanstions in mind.

U.S. FIRMS'-PREPARING FOR TARIF. REFORM IN ENGLAND.

A. Chicago correspondent of the Pall Mal Gazette writes :- Exporters and manufacturers depending more or less on British and foreign trade, foresee great changes in view of th forthcoming elections, and many manufacturers are already preparing to meet the position, should a change on your side interfere with business arrangements as carried on for years

Outside the meat-packing firms, the majority of manufacturers are preparing to establish in Britain rather than lose the markets by prohibitive tariffs, and there is a prevailing idea that the American manufacturer will gain by move of that kind.

The Wiesel Nut Lock Company has siready decided to move its foreign business to London while the Schneider Automobile Company—a large concern inaugurated for the purpose of turning out a cheap run-about motor car-will The depression lying over the Yangtze valley | duplicate in England in every detail the New York factory it is proposed to erect.

The Stolz Electrophene Co., on the other hand, which moves its head office to London next March, will manufacture electrical devices in Manchester, and will convert its New York office into a branch of the London company American trade only.

The Stolz Company was established in London twelve months ago, and to the astonishment of the American shareholders, found that, with London as a centre, its foreign trade could be handled at a great saving. When the president of the concern announced an 18 per cent, in crease in the usual dividend, it was unanimously decided to move to London.

Numerous concerns intend trying out London as a centre in case of a change of Government on your side.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, December 31st. IN SUMMARY JUBISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUISNE JUDGE). CLAIMS FOR MONEY LENT.

Two actions were brought by an Indian money lender against Wong Kwong Fat, an employee in a shipping firm, in which each of the plaintiffs sought to recover \$200 due for money lent. In the first case Mr. J. H. Gardiner represented the plaintiff, and in the second the plaintiff was represented by Mr. Bulmer Johnson (of Mesars. Dennys and Bowley).

Defendant admitted the first claim, but asked to be allowed to pay in instalments. He received \$130 per month, and was already paying \$75 a month under an order of the Court.

His Lordship-How did you incur all this indebtedness? Have you been speculating? Defendant-No.

Mr. Gardiner-If your Lordship gives judgment we will no doubt come to some arrange-His Lordship- I see this promissory note is

a promise to pay in eight instalments. Mr. Gardiner-Yes, but the time has

His Lordship (to defendant)—Have you any business here P Defendant-No.

His Lordship-What are you in this office? Defendant-Auditor.

His Lordship-Haven't you a shop, or share in a shop outside P Defendant - No. His Lordship-I am disposed to make this

payable in instalments, but if it is found he has any business outside I can be notified. Mr. Gardiner said that would be very difficult to find, but the defendant was probably bor-

rowing this money for some business. His Lordship - What did you borrow this money for ? Defendant-Ordinary expenses,

His Lordship-How can you afford to pay \$75 a month now if you could not do so before You must have been speculating? Defendant—No.

His Lordship-I suppose you have a large number of children? Defendant-Yes, seven.

His Lordship-How much can you pay

Defendant-\$10. Mr. Gardiner-I'd ask for more than that. His Lordship remarked that the payment of \$10 would leave the defendant only a few dollars a month, and he probably had a grandmother to keep as well as a wife and children. He would therefore make an order for payment of \$10 s month for six months.

Mr. Johnson-That does not leave him much to pay me. I am going to object to these instalments. The defendant is assistant compradors He has sat as Conservative Member of Parlia. the Hamburg-America line, and although his screw 18 not very much no makes commission.

> His Lordship informed Mr. Johnson that he could mention the matter in Chambers, and made an order for the payment of \$10 a month for six months, the balance after that to be paid in two instalments.

> The second action was then mentioned. His Lordship pointed out that according to the promissory note \$20 had been paid on account, thus leaving a balance of \$180.

> Mr. Johnson stated that when \$20 was paid it was agreed that the balance should be paid on the following day, and failing such payment the \$20 was to be treated as a "cumsha." If that was disputed his Lordship might put the case into next Friday's list, and that would give the speaker an opportunity of proving that the defendant was what he said he was, an assistant compradore.

His Lordship thought the \$20 as a cumsha was rather an extraordinary contention. Mr. Johnson said the defendant's salary might be \$130 a month, but if he was a compradore he made considerably more than that, The case was put into Friday's list.

THE NEW YEAR.

The New Year was ushered in with the time. honoured ceremonial. Crackers were fired bells were rung, and in other ways a welcome was given to 1910. Watch-Night services were held in St. John's Cathedral, St. Peter's Church. Sunday 2.0 pm. P.S. A. 8.0 p.m. Gespel Meeting. St. Andrew's, Kowloon, the Union Church, and the Roman Catholic Cathedral. Besides the dance at Kowloon Dock, there was another Hogmanay gathering at Taikoo, and a dance also took place on the Tamar.

PATRIOTISM! "PAY NO TAXES."

We take the following from the Nation. the

sixpenny Radical-Socialist weekly:— "Should the people of Great Britain decide to lay their liberties at the feet of the Peers, the minority would instinctively act as their fathers acted two hundred and fifty years ago. Liberals would not directly pay taxes to any power outside the House of Commons. Liberals would refuse to pay taxes so long as the sole taxing power of the representative House remained in doubt. Do the Lords refuse supplies to the Crown? Hundreds of thousands of Englishmen, Welshmen, Scotsmen, and Irishmen will, if necessary, refuse supplies to them." The Nation is, in a sense, the official comment the Government. The late Sir Henry Comp-

bell-Bannnerman wrote an article in its opening number. Its editor, Mr. H. W. Massingham, has recently edited Mr. Winston Churchill's speeches, and is in intimate touch with Mr. Lloyd George. It is, therefore, fair to assume that what the Nation says it says under the direct inspiration of the two most important members of the Ministry.

It is truly amazing to find a periodical backed by such authority directly inciting to snarchy and calmly threatening that the supporters of one great party will refuse to pay taxes if the other party is returned to power.

KOWLOON DOCK DANCE.

The Kowloon Dock Dance, as it is familiarly cased, was held last night and proved as successful as its many prodecessors. The Staff, notivithstanding the changes that have taken place in the personnel, still know how to entertain, and they with their friends brought in the Manayear very pleasantly. In fact this is the feature which gives the Dook Dance its special charm. It gives an appreciated opportunity for "seeing the New Year in" under ideal conditions and congenial company. And when it is remembered that the bulk of the people present hail from North of the Tweed the enjoyment of the Scottish element can well be imagined.

As before, the left of the drawing office was converted in a pretty dance room. Two sides were masses of bunting and the wall was adorned with curtains from the windows and with shields and crests of Scottish families placed between, Overhead were the beautiful festoons of groonery which imported a picturesque appearance to the whole, and not a little of the brilliant effect was due to the several devices chining in electric bulbs At the top were two stars flanking the flag of the Dock Company, and at the side were the figures. "1866-1909," indicative of the age of the premier shipbuilding concern in the Colony. The reading room was utilised as a supper room and it was daintily arranged. The usual card room was provided, and the clock rooms were found where they have been for years. The gentlemen responsible for the arrangements and the decorations are certainly entitled to praise for the excellent results.

With their usual hospitality the Dook Company provided launches for the visitors, a feature which is particularly enjoyed when the weather is pleasant, and a sail on the silvery water in the clear moonlight is an experience to delight even the most pressic. When the guests arrived they were met with the cordial greeting, which distinguishes the Dock hosts, and the dance_commenced about nine o'clock under the happiest auspices. Over 300 took the floor, and the excellent music supplied by the Buffs Band under Bandmaster Hewett, as well as the fine floor, made dancing a real pleasure. Messrs. W. Stewart and W. Brown had the proper conception of the duties of M.Cs. and their assiduous attention was appreciated by those present. A programme of 20 dances was gone through. It included a number of Scottish favourites, such as the Eightsome

Red, Caledonians, and Highland Schottische. About half-past eleven the programme was suspended, and the company adjourned to the supper room, where an excellent repast was provided. Mr. R. M. Dyer, B. ?e., presided and was supported by Mr. W. Jolly, the secretary, and other gentlemen. On the stroke of twelve the lights which outlined the figures 1909 were switched off and the new date 1910 appeared amid the applause of the company, who, of course, did not forget to exchange seg

greetings with each other. The toast Dook Company and Staff" having proposed, Mr. Dyer responded, and voiced the pleasure of the staff in welcoming their many friends. The Chairman then proposed "Our Guests," to which Mr. H.P. Richardson replied Dr. Forsyth afterwards invited the company to drink to "The Ladies," to which Mr. Davison responded. The dance was resumed and continued with zest until after two o'clock.

The committee, who are to be congratulated on their adequate arrangements, consisted of Messrs W. Stewart (chairman), W. M. Johnston (secretary), R. Lapsley (treasurer), R. J. Brown, J. Hand, W. Davison, J. Ramsay, and S. Fmith.

CHURCH SERVICES

PEAR CHURCH-Holy Communion 8 a.m. every

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong .- 2nd January: 2nd Sunday after Christmas. Holy Communion (7.39 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m. Hesponses, Ferial; Venite, Gos; Psalms, Oakley, Tallis, Oakley, Stainer; To Denit, Stanford in B flat; Jubilate: Anthom. "O Zion that bringest."-Stainer, Holy Communion (12-noon), Kyrie. Baker in F; Hymns, 74 and 58; N B.—Psalm 9. Verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 19 and 20 in unison; Psalm 10, Verses 1, 7, 10, 13, 14, and 20 in unison; Psalm 11. Verses 1, 4 and 7 in unison. Evensong (5.45 p.m.) Responses, Ferial; Psalms, of the 2nd evening (I); Magnificat, Goss (7th evening); Nunc Dimittie, Havergal (7th evening); Hymns, 74. 62 and 806. WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH, Wanchai-Sunday Services, '10.15 a.m. Nev. T. W. Scholes M.A., and 6 p.m. Rev. H. E. Anderson (Communion Service after evening service) 8.0 p.m. Sunday School.

SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME, Arsenal Street.

conducted by Mr. White. Monday, 7.80 p.m. Chaplain's Bible Class 8.0 p.m. Fellowship Moeting. We inesday, 8.0 p.m. Temperance Meeting. Address by Mr. Joughia. Thursday, 88) p.m. Popular Concert. Programme arranged. Saturday, 8.0 p.m. Prayer Meeting, by Mrs. Lyon. ST. PETER'S CHURCH, Queen's Road, West-Sunday, 2nd January, 1910, 2nd Sunday after Christmas. Matins, 11 am Holy (communion 12.15 pm. Venite, Amould: Falms, Goss, Hervey, Battishill; To Deum, Lawes, Cook. Hopkins; Kyrie, Mendelssohn; Hymns, 196, 22, 307 and 403. Evensong, 6.30 p.m. Psalms.

Turle, Flintoft; Cantate, Cr.tch; Deus, Goes;

Hymne, 214, 27, 80 and 56. The Church launch Dayspring will call on ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.80 a.m. and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6; returning afterwards.). The Answering Pennant is the Call flag. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Visitors welcome. Books. &c., provided.

Sunday School 10-10,45 a.m. Union Church, Kennedy and Minister, Rev. C. H. Hickling. 11 a.m Worship, Hymns 485, 481, 413; Do Deum (Hopkins), Anthom ". ike as the Hart (Novello), Motto sermon A p.m. Children's Service in Peak Church conducted by Rev. C. H. Hicking. 4 p.m. Sunday Schools. 6. pm. Worship. Hymn, 482, 481, 480 and 487. Motto Sermon. Friday 8 p.m., Christian Endeavour Society President's New Year Address.

HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL-Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Creme Charmante, Lait Charmant and Special Skin Tonic and Poudra Charmant will enable you to do it. Her Specialities for the Skin are the study of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co. Litd. Sole Agenta

TRADE REVIEW. 1909.

Below we give a retrospect of the trade of the year 1909, the data of which have been gathered from authoritative sources.

EXCHANGE. Broadly speaking, exchange, during the past year has been remarkably steady. Opening at 1/84 and rising in the first; three weeks of January to 1/93 the rate gradually fell back to 1/82 by the end of February, which level obtained with but small variations during March. April/May witnessed a steady rise to 1/9g and June a slow decline to 1/9g. .. The middle of July saw a return of the year's opening rate, 1/842 and the variation between then and the end of September closed at 1,9) was never more than 4. The fate dropped to 1/8% towards the end of October and kept about this lower level until early in December, when a gradual upward movement set in. On the 1st we again had the opening rate of the year, 1/812, and aince then—a-rise to 1/92. Between the lowest rate of the year, 1/82, with silver 23 in, and the highest rate, 1/9%, against a silver quotation of 247, there was only a difference of 14d.

rise in May was mainly speculation on the part of Indian bazaars, based on optimistic reports concerning crop prospects, but several other causes contributed. The increase of ex ports from the Far East and the dullness in imports were of course important factors. As against these steadying influences there was always in view phenomenally heavy stocks of silver both in Shanghai and Bombay, and, not withstanding the fulfilment of the hopes of those who reckoned on an increased demand for India until early December Bombay still seemed overstocked. An increased offtake since then has shown again India's extraordinary capacity for absorbing silver, and the year ends with a stock of only about 10,000 bars in Bombay and the bazaars still buying. The Indian Government have been out of the market all the year, but their stocks have been reduced somewhat, and the Gold Standard Reserve Fund has been brought back to a more normal position. As already stated, there has been a large increase in exports from the Far East, notably in beans from Manchuria. The Continent has also been purchasing silver recently, which has had a steadying effect on the market. Thus in various ways the steadiness which, as was said at the outset, has been the most noticeable feature of the year, was maintained in spite of an ever-increasing output of the white metal from the highly productive Canadian mining district of Cobalt.

Imports amounted to 227,108 bales last year as against 210,275 on the previous year, showing low exchange has had a very depressing effect, rolls in previous years, as after the duty an increase of 16,823 bales, while seles aggregate 120,001 bales, as against 151,243 in 1908, showing a decrease of 12,652 bales. This decrease may be partly attributed to the absence of any material demand during the last two months, owing to very high prices demanded by holders, and partly to the increasing competition of Japanese and Chinese yarn, as also of Japanese had an adverse effect on new business, and cheap cloth in the consuming districts. The during the past few months few important year opened with a very slack demand and only orders have been placed. a paltry business was effected in January, almost the whole of the month being taken up with the settlement of accounts and the festivities of the China New Year. On resumption of business in February considerable settlements were made, and with occasional assistance from Shanghai the enquiry continued more or less active till the end of March, when prices showed | to be considerably larger than the valuations of an appreciation of \$1 to \$7 per bale, and nearly | the 1908 crops had led buyers to anticipate 31,000 bales passed into consumption, exchange | purchasers in the first quarter of the year on India fluctuating between Rs. 130 and Rs. showed reluctance to operate, with the result 132. During the greater part of April the market remained quiet, but at the end of the month another brisk demand from the country Prices, however, of extra grades, which were set in, lasting with but little intermission till scarce and in good demand from Europe, held the end of June, resulting in a further advance | their own. There was more enquiry during of \$1 to \$3 per bale in price and sales of over | the latter part of March and activity set in at 35,000 bales. Under ordinary circumstances | the beginning of April, but quotations remained sales and prices would have shown a considerable | almost unchanged on account of the good prosincrease but for the sharp rise in silver during | peets of the first crop. A slight movement in May and June, which not only curtailed the American market towards the end of this business but checked the upward tendency of month was of but short duration. Prices, which the market. In July the rising tendency in | had strengthened somewhat conjointly with a exchange gave place to a weaker tone, and rise in exchange, were, in view of the poor simultaneous rumours of a short cotton crop in | quality of the stock on hand, found too high by America encouraged dealers to reappear in the buyers. Quotations recoded a little in May market in great force. Buying was now re- and again transactions became more lively. sumed with more or less vigour throughout Rumours of a probable record crep in Japan and July and the greater part of August, when elsewhere suddenly made buyers cautious, and exchange showed signs of an advance and a prices weakened about 830 to 240 per picul. In lasting throughout September. On the whole, and Europe for cocoons caused buyers to give however, the third quarter came to a close with | more attention to Canton silk, and the market a satisfactory experience, the gain in values | was particularly active during the second half amounting in some instances to \$5 per bale, over 40,000 bales changing hands, while prospects shead appeared encouraging. October set in with a strong general enquiry consequent on the violent fluctuations in the American cotton. and about 22,000 bales changed hands, prices showing a further advance of \$1 to \$3 per bale. Business during the last two months has dwindled to a minimum, owing to almost probibitory prices now ruling, and the year closes almost lifeless with a meagre stock of 14,000 bales to be carried forward. In the beginning of the year best No.-10s were sold at Transactions for this country have since \$109 and No. 20s at \$130. They are now quoted at \$126 and \$145, respectively, exchange on India fluctuating between Rs. 128 and Rs. 133 throughout the greater part of the year. Although sales during the year show no improvement over those of the previous twelve months, the trade as a whole, so far as Hongkong is concerned, has been remunerative. With chean cotton, steadier silver, and incessant rise of prices throughout the greater part of the year, more than covering prices have been obtained, and if invoice costs are any guide to results the profits are more or less considerable

30th, 1908, there were in all India 241 mills working and in course of construction, of ploying 101,536 hands daily.

COTTON. 26,441 bales, including some fairly large conpurchased in india. Sales in the local market aggregate 2,910 bales as against 6,820 bales in 1908. Prices have ruled fairly steady throughout the greater part of the year. but at the close the violent fluctuations in the American cotton market and the high prices now ruling in India have almost checked importations, and the business for the coming about 37,500 bales filatures against 34,700 year promises to be still smaller.

PRECE GOODS.

The year just closed has been one the best the Piece Goods dealers have 2,000 bales at the same date in 1908. enjoyed for many years. Although there have been no abnormal profits such as might accrue through speculation, still there has been steady turnover at profitable rates of almost all | but, owing to speculation, prices were rapidly classes of goods. The large orders placed towards the close of 1908 and in the spring of this year went, with one or two exceptions, rapidly into consumption. The following figures large shipments arriving from the Interior, showing the exports from the United Kingdom | values recoded semewhat and the market closes may prove of interest.

For the 12 months ending October, in millions

1909 1903 1907 1906 65 76 Plain Cottons ... 105 Dyed ... 29 20

The most notable exception to the above remarks regarding clearances has been White Shirtings, which are still in heavy stock and have doubtless been over-shipped during the

In the autumn a repetition of the orders placed the previous year seemed probable, but the abnormal rise in the price of cotton limited business so far as Fancies were concerned, and in staple piece goods practically killed it. Ex change having remained on a comparatively low level to some former years has added to the difficulty caused by the high prices of raw material, and until some change in either or both of these factors takes place there is prospect of very dull times.

SUNDRIES. early part of the year the latter half has been rather dull. In many lines, such as hosiery, dealers everbought in 1908 with the result that stocks accumulated and are still heavy. The 1 to 380,000 rolls only, against about 500,000 particularly on those articles more in the nature of luxuries than necessities. Failures, however, have been comparatively few, showing an absence of the speculative element which in many recent years has been so evident.

The advanced prices of so many raw materials, such as cotton, wool, and rubber, have naturally

The year opened with little demand both from Europe and America, but holders being confident of higher rates preferred to carry stocks over the Chinese New Year rather than sell at low prices The remaining stocks of the previous season having been estimated and the export of silk proving that the market during that period ruled quiet and values went down \$30 to \$40 per picul. temporary depression was caused in the market, June the high prices which were paid in Japan Price compare as follows :of this month, rates advancing by \$3) to \$40. A good run of business was maintained in July, due chiefly to a keen demand for coarso sizes from Europe. Important contracts were book. ed for delivery during the following months. Stocks being much reduced, spinners were incited by the fair prospects of business to buy up cocoons in the country in spite of their dearness. A revival of the demand from America had been predicted long previously for August or September. However, time passed away and expectations proved to we wrong. been only spasmodic and of little importance. This fact and also the record product tion in Japan have dominated the silk trade at large, including our market. Holders in Japan have always remained free sellers, even ac decreasing rates, whilst at Canton spinners, owing to the high cost of the silk from the 5th; 6th and 7th crops, have been reluctant to dispose of their stock at figures meaning a heavy loss to them. Stagnation of business and the want of money forced them, however, to reduce quotations in October and November, but this failed

to bring back the demand. Although consump.

and commensurate with the extent and value of . tion of silk piece goods was reported satisfactory

the transactions. Our native dealers have not on the Continent, home markets were spoiled by the local market again, but, at present, prices are insignificant amount of chartering, mostly fared badly. Prices have been steedily rising bear sales which paralysed more legitimate higher in Australia than people here will pay. throughout the greater part of the year and the business. A stronger tendency of prices on the American flour still retains premier position | requirements. Then, from Saigon came news country demand has been responsive. On June Japanese market at the end of November, on the local market, but there has been a decided had the same effect here, but activity did In 1908, 4,086,000 bags were imported, a decline which Bombay Island alone claimed 86, running not last long. Nevertheless, a better feeling of 854,000 bags on the previous year, whereas 2,736,483 spindles and 35,967 looms, and om- has ruled since: transactions have been the year just closed shows a falling off in the fairly brisk during December both for Europe trade of 915,000 bags, the total imports for 1909 and America, and holders are confident teing 3,270,000. This deplorable state of affairs Receipts during the year amount to in higher rates for the future. Sterling is due to the fact that the Shanghai traders prices have not shown any large fluctuations have captured the local market, and although tract parcels for the local and Tonkin bills of the course of the year. They never during the year a large quantity of flour has ports to the South. January closed with the reached the level of the starting point in been shipped to southern ports, the outlook for January. Native silk has been neglected this the trade in the coming year is by no means year owing to its poor winding, and as the dealers seem unable to remedy this defect, prospects of business in this class of silk look unfavourable. It is estimated that total yield of the seven crops bales for 1908. Shipments for 1909 amount to 43,782 bales against 41,743 bales for 1908.

Actual stock is about 5,500 bales against

Reports of a fair-sized crop caused the market to open this season at rather low rates, forced up during the month of June. Demand from home having quietened down during the months of July, August and September, and on the weak side, stocks in the Interior being estimated at 10,000 to 15,000 piouls. Thi year's quality has been about the same as the previous season and still leaves much to be desired. Total exports of whole and broken cassia are estimated at about 60,000 piculs.

The matting business in 1909 has been any thing but remunerative from a maker's point of view. Owing to the uncertainty which prevailed in the United States during the first half of the year as to what new rate of duty would result from the tariff revisions, matting importers refrained from usual large forward contracts, drawing their immediate requirements from stocks available in America Consequently, to keep the business going the manufacturers had to reduce their prices considerably, especially for Tungkun mattings, which during the latter part of the year reached an extremely low level, almost unprecedented; After the U.S. Congress had fixed a uniform rate of duty of 32 gold cents per yard for all qualities, a good demand sprang up for the Whilst business was very fair during the superior 116 warps grade, for which considerable contracts, amounting to about 20,000 rolls were put through at advancing prices. Yet the total turnover for the year amounts difficulty had been settled the season was too far advanced to allow of creasing actual engagments in China. Th coming season will probably see much higher prices, as at the present low rates manufacturers are losing money heavily. The strawwere fairly good as regards quality, but owing to a typhoon having badly damaged the second crop during the months of September, October and November, there is at present a scarcity of fine straw suitable for high grades an consequently prices are rather high. may be mentioned, too, that about 100,000 bundles of coarse straw were exported to Japan.

> MATS AND CARPETS. The market has been fairly active during the period under review and total settlements are es timated at about 80,000 rolls, mostly for Europe. France and England took about 60,000 rolls whereas exports to the Netherlands alone smount to about 20,000 rolls, which means considerable increase as compared with onl a few years ago.

Values during 1909 have with few exceptions ruled on a fairly low level, which brought about increased business. Consumption kept pace with the heavier arrivals, so that on the whole importers, as well as native dealers, have reason to be well satisfied with their transactions.

The lowest point was reached in August, and from that time forward a gradual advance set in which seems to indicate a healthy development of the home markets. This movement was easily followed here.

Prices are still somewhat below normal. Re ports from home speak of a better tendency which is expected to find its expression higher rates all round.

30/12/09. Quicksilver ... 8 Nailrocs ... 23 Yellow Metal ... 0 0 61 0 0 61 KEROSENE OIL AND PETROLBUM.

The market has been exceedingly steady in 1909 in comparison with past years and the fluctuations in prices have been comparatively few, due no doubt to the steady rate of exchange. | the reports given seem favourable. Notwithstanding the general depression in other -knes, consumption has increased by ten to fifteen thering the needed helf of the year and most of per cent. and if conditions improve it is expected. that 1910 will show a better record. The increase in consumption is certainly due to the efforts of the importers in placing their oil on sale at far distant interior points and in in also passed through for Canton, and some 8,200 teresting merchants to carry stocks.

FLOUR. During the year very little Australian flour has arrived in the market. Good prices in Australia and the demand in England are no doubt responsible, with the result that American flour at cheaper prices and lower freights has concerned, the situation might be termed displaced Australian here. There has, however, been a bumper crop in Australia, and it is hoped

brought on by the covering of short sales there, decline in the year's imports into the Colony,

The export of Saigon rice during the year showed a decided falling off on the previous year, and the market closed weak, with a down word tendency. Of the old crop, for which exorbitant prices are demanded, there is only between 3,000 and 4,000 tons left. The nev crop, however, gives brighter prospects, for the early grain has already made its appearance insome districts, and is expected to come in freely during the present month. Some 50,000 tons have been settled for Europe, chiefly for February and April shipment, but Java buyers, after relieving the market of some 10,000 tons have declined to follow a small rise in prices. The prices eased down considerably in Order to counterbalance the effects of the daily rising exchange and the general want of demand and, as previously stated, the market shows a decidedly downward tendency. The total export of rice from Saigon last year was 631,208 tons, as against 759,695 tons for the previous year.

Bengal Opium.—The Indian Government sold at auction in 1909 43,200 chests against 46,800 chests the previous year. Fluctuations have been very heavy, the lowest price touched being

\$900 for Patna and the highest \$1,620. It is a matter to be regretted that the British Anthorities have failed to keep the Chinese Government to the promises given by them not to place restriction in the way of the trade in foreign oplum, in consideration of the definite steps taken by the British Government to reduce the export of the drug o China. The result is that the trade is periodically disorganized to the detriment the Fritish merchants who purchase the opium Wuhu to Swatow and Canton tonnage was direct from the Government of India.

Malwa.—This description likewise participates in the annual reduction of 10 per cent. The lowest price for the new drug being \$1,07) and the highest \$1,400 per picul.

Persian.-The quantity allowed into China during the year was 1,000 piculs. The price at the close of the year was \$1,225 per picul.

There has been only very little change between this year and 1908 in the Coal Market the prices ruling slightly lower. Contracts made for 1910 show lower rates than those for 1909, and all the principal consumers have had all their requirements for the coming year provided for. The following is a general review for the year:

Japanese Coals.—About 925,000 tons arrived here during the year under review, this being about 75,000 tons more than the previous year, The Mitsul Bussan Kaisha, as in pr vious years, takes the lead, their importations amounting to about 500,000 tons, out of which 75,000 tons went to Canton. The Mitsu Bishi Goshi Kwaisha continue to rank second, their total arrivals during the year reaching 125,000 tons. The rate standing at 11 cents per picul, while balance has come to different coal importers. the most important of whom are Messrs. Bradley & Co. and Messrs. Ataka & Co.

Cardiff Coals and Patent Fuel.—The quantity that reached the Colony aggregates about 48,000 tons, out of which the Admiralty had some 20,000 tons discharged here and some 15,000 tons passed through bound North, Several small arrivals amounting in all to 5,000 tons ment into the hands of the local dealers. Some 12,000 tons passed through Hongkong bound for Vladisvostock and/or Japan.

Australian Coals.—About 46,500 tons arrived the latter part of the year did not at all affect the month the strike has now ended.

the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ld. opened a branch office in this port and imported to Canton.

Hongay Coal.-There arrived about 85,000 tons, half of which was for Canton, the balance taken upon time charter for special business, for local industries.

Pulo Laut.—Five steamers with about 18,000 low rates, but many inquiries in different directons arrived during the year and found ready Chinese buyers.

to suit requirements. There was a weakness in Northern freights, but fixtures for coal looked Labuan Coal. -Only one vessel with about more promising. There was an improvement in 3,000 tons arrived during the year and the coal does not find ready buyers. Sebatik Coal.- Three steamers with about

6.000 tons reached this port and the coal found ready buyers. These were used for trials and Dairen Coal.—Some 17,250 tons arrived

game went for Canton. Sundries.—Four stemmers with 4,700 tons Tourane coal resched here on their way to Canton, about 8,600 tens of Haiphong coa

also reached here from Kebao, half-of which went for Canton and half bound North. TONNAGE.

The year just closed, like its two predecessors, was not a very active one for the freight a.m. market in the East. As far as the South was "dead calm," while Northern business gradually became more and more dismal, with rates the Commonwealth flour will find its way into further receding. The year opened with an

made up by fixtures of tonnage for coal of excessive rains in several of the rice districts, which, while not absolutely disastrons, militated against the abundant harvest expected. From Bangkok came a similar unfavourable report of too much rain and as a consequence a poor rice crop, so that very little outside tonnage was required. The year opened in the North with things lively in consequence of an increased activity from the Yangtse rice opening of the Saigon season, charterers towards the middle of the month having commenced operations for Hongkong, and securing tonnage to the extent of some 330,000 piculs, while from Saigon to the Philippines a few steamers were fixed. The rates obtained from Saigon to Hongkong were anything but brilliant, varying from 13 to 15 cents according to capacity of vessel. Small chartering in coal freights from Moji to Hongkong was done at \$1.50. Freights remained idle during February, those from the South in particular being a source of disappointment, for many modern consting boats remained disengaged in places such as Bangkok, Saigon and Singapore. What little cargo was moving in the Saigon-Hongkong trade was readily booked at eight conts per picul by vessels on the run, but outside owners were not willing to close at such low rates. Coal charters from Moji to Hongkong resulted at \$1,50, and from Maji to Canton at \$2.20. Rates generally for the month of March were far from satisfactory from the owners' point of view. The Saigon trade remained singularly

inactive, and several chartering orders for small sized steamers were promptly withdrawn on owners making an attempt to obtain a slight advance on the standing rate of 13 cents. Coal tonnage from Japan to Hongkong was very scarce. April opened with a distinctly firmer tone ruling in the freight market, owing to an increased demand for tonnege both in the South and North, and the change for the better was maintained throughout the month. The Saigon Hongkong market rose to 17 cents, but relaxed under the influence of a weaker rice market to 16 and 162 cents, at which several boats were placed. From Saigon to Singapore the rate was about 17 cents, while further charters resulted from Newchwang to Canton up to 30 cents per picul. From eagerly inquired after, the rate ruling at 22 and 23 cents. Coal freights remained firm, with tornage scarce, the rate from Moji to Hongkong being \$1.80 per ton. May was ushered in with quite a number of charters concluded. Business in the South was rather lifeless, but the Northern trade quite made up for the

deficiency. Owing to the shortage of tonnage, rates of freight from Yangtze ports and Newchwang increased by 30 per. cent on the previous month. The month closed with few cargoes offering from Saigon, but with the local ric. market showing signs of improvement there was renewed chartering from Saigon to the Philippines on the basis of 24 and 27 cents according to quantity, and coal freights from Japan ruled firm with more demand for tonnage June, unfortunately, closed with the freight market showing a decidedly feeble attitude, and owners found it necessary to lay up a number of boats. The general tone of the freight market continued feeble in July, with rates ing) and Taylorson (Mon). of freight below the profitable mark. The month closed with the Saigon-Hongkong a couple of fixtures between Saigon and the Philippines were effected at 23 and 24 cents according to quantity. August passed with the market in a very deplorable state, with few fixtures effected and very slight prospects of a change for the better. In September freights all round remained the same, the only slight improvement being in coal. Fixtures were conoluded from Wakamatsu to Hongkong at \$1.90; from the same port to Canton at \$2.45; from Hongay to Hongkong and Canton at \$1.50 and \$1.60. A strong demand was apparent in the market in October, but it was solely attributable during the year, all of which was for consumers to the scarcity of tonnage that numerous in. The demand for this coal locally has considerably quiries, especially from the North, could not be fallen off. The strike as wired by Reuter in filled locally. The Saigon market was at a low ebb. and it was apparent that no material this market. As per-telegram received during revival of business could be looked for until next year's crop was put on the market. Actual Kaiping Coal -During the year under review, | charters took place only in connection with the Philippines business, a few fixtures being effected on the basis of 25,000 piculs at 25 cents, some 52,000 tons, out of which 21,000 tons went 35,000 piculs at 21 cents, and 40,000 piculs at 20 cents. Coal tonnage was practically not procurable, and several suitable vessels were

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS

November opened with employment offering at

tions remained unfilled in consequence of tonnage

the rates for December as far as the South

is concerned, but the Northern market was in a

state of stagnation with prospects for the next

few months very discouraging unless something

unforeseen econrred. Several boats have been

chartered for March this year on account of an

anticipated scarcity of tonnage. The year

closes with signs of a better market, but it is

anticipated that freights, while slowly tending

upward, will drag along the saine

unsettled way. There will probably be occa-

sional spurts, when better rates will be

The C. & M. str. Rubi left Manila on the 31st ult., at 5 p.m., and is due here on or about the 3rd inst. The str. Glenearn left Singapore on the 30th ult., and is due here on or about the 6th instant

The C.P.R. str. Monteagle left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual ports of call on the 29th ultimo p.m.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of China arrived at Yokohama at 3 p.m. on the 31st ultimo, and left again at 7 a.m. to-day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

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LOCAL SPORT. NEW YEAR FIXTURES.

FOOTBALL.

Army v. Navy. H.K.F.C. Ground, 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. A. Gregory, H K.F.C.

Army :- Beasley (R.G.A.); Watts (R.G.A.) and Ruler (Buffs); Walker (R.G.A), Barton (R.E.) and Dare (Buffs); Brown (R.E.) and Browster (Buffs); Taylor (Buffs); Barker (Buffs) and Nash (R.G.A.).

Navy:-Tugwell (K.A.) Hudd (Mon.) and Haw (K.A.); Rose (Mon.), Brown (Whiting) and Richardson (K.A.); Anderson (Hart) and Fleming (K.A.); Reid (K.A.); Sullivan (Whit-

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

Second Division. Saturday, 1st January, 83rd Coy, v. B. O. C. Military Ground, at 2.30 p.m. Referes, Sapper Heigh. A Coy. v. M. R. C. Causeway Bay Ground, at 4.00 p.m. Referee, Sapper Scarlett. Monday, 3rd January. L. R. C. v. 87 Coy. R.G.A. Military Ground, at 2.30 p.m. Referee, Q. M. S. Barnfather, R.E.

CRICKET.

H. K. C. C. v. United Services. Club Ground

To-day at 10 a.m. and Monday at 10 a.m. Watson's C. C. v. Craigengower C. C. To-day at 11 a.m.

TEAMS. H. K. C. C .: - W. C. D. Turner, T. E. Pearce, R. E. O. Bird, R. E. H. Olive, R. O. Hutchison, A. C. E. Elborough, H. D. Sharpin, A. H. Young, A. A. Clarton, J. Hall, and W.

Manning. United Services:-Captain Beasley, Lieut. Noble, R.N.; Lient. Pelly, R.N.; Flag. Lieut. Mullineux, R.N.; Captain Mayhew, R.M.L.I. Rev. Maundrell, R.N.; Captain Baird, Buffs; Lieut. Green, Buffs; Captain Garnett, R.G.A.; Lieut, Bagnall, R.G.A.;

and Lieut. Liepmann, 13th Rajputs. Watson's: - James, Spittles, H. Rapp, Spurge, Robins, Taylor, Suiter, Phillips, Williams, Ellis, Adams and Craik.

On Monday, 3rd January, a match will be played on Craigengower Ground between teams representing "Hongkong Boys" and "The Rest," commencing at 2 p.m.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

Police v. R.E. Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

SPORTS.

Children's Sports at Kowloon to-day at 2.30. B. O. C. Sports and inauguration of Club House on Monday, 3 p.m.

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NOTICE.

TR. COLIN CUNINGHAM SCOTT is IVI admitted a Partner in our Firm from This Date. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, China and Japan. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. NOTICE.

TE have This Day Authorized Mr. G. BINDER to Sign our Firm. FERD BORNEMANN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

NOTICE.

E have Authorized Mr. HAKON A. SCHLUTER and Mr. WOLDEMAR WEDEKIND to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

REUTER BRÖCKELMANN & Co. Hongkong, Canton, 1 1st January, 1910. [113

NOTICE.

HE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. AUGUST ZICKERMANN in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December. Messrs, GUSTAV ENGEL and HANS TIEFENBACHER have been admitted partners from To-day. WM. MEYERINK & Co. 1st January, 1910.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. C KOCH in our Firm CEASED on his death, on the 12th of September last. MR. C. ROGGE having retired from our Firm, his Interest and Responsibility Ceased

on the Samo Date. MR. A. W. SNOWMAN having taken over the Business with all assets and liabilities, will continue same under the Same Style as from above Date.

LANKE & ROGGE. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Firm of MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., CEASED on 31st day of October, 1909.

A. FINDLAY SMITH. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

In reference to the above, I have taken over the interest, goodwill, debts and liabilities of MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., from 31st day of October, 1909.

GEO LEO. DUNCAN. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. NOTICE.

ERNST OSCAR RUDOLPH VOLLBRECHT is admitted a Partner in our Firm from This Date. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

NOTICE. TR. ERNST VOLLBRECHT, having Left our Employ, CEASES to Sign per Procuration from This Date. F. BLACKHEAD & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY. Assets Exceed £11,000,000.

> AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY RESERVES £1,002,772.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Companies, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. WM. MEYERINK & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

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Agents: Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

ADVERTISEMENT

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to held TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1910, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, by Order of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Wong-nei-chong in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Hrs. MAJESTY THE KING, for one further term of 75

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed than on and after the 3rd day of January, 1910, the Business known as YAU KEE (present owner KWOK CHI), of No. 30, Lyndhurst Terrace, together with the goodwill, will be taken over by Hor Hine Cheung, who will not be Responsible for any Debts or Leans of money contracted in connection with the said Business prior to that Date.

HOP HING CHEUNG. Hongkong, 31st December, 1909.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership herotofore subsisting between us, the Undersigned A. W. PURNELL and C. S. PAGET, carrying on the Business of Architects and Civil Engineers at Canton in the Empire of China under the Style or Firm of Purnell and Pager, will on the 31st (thirtyfirst) day of December, 1909 (one thousand nine hundred and nine), be Dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to or owing by the late Firm will be received and paid by the Undersigned C. S. PAGET, by whom the Business will in future be carried on.

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TN Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFI-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CATION No. 804 of 17th December, an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL 1909, the following days will be observed as BANK HOLIDAYS:— MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. SHEWAN, SATURDAY, 1st January. Tomes & Co., Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of January, 1910, at 11 o'clock in the foreneon, for the purpose of Hongkong, 20th December, 1909. 1552 considering and if thought fit confirming as a FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION special resolution the subjoined resolution OF HONGKONG. which was passed by the requisite majority at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 30th day of December,

> That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered 1. By inserting therein immediately after paragraph 4 of Clause VIII. a new paragraph

> > Agreement in writing made between

the Company and some member of the

of the members of the Class provided

such agreement shall before the Special

Extraordinary Resolution passed at a

separate Meeting of the Class or by

writing under the hand of the holders

of at least two-thirds of the Shares of

the Class and it shall be no objection

provides for a reduction of Capital

otherwise than in accordance with the

legal rights of the holders of shares of

the Class or for the payment of a

dividend or bonus otherwise than in

accordance with the rights of the

Holders of the shares of the Class or

for the allotment of shares credited as

fully or partly paid up in satisfaction

or part satisfaction of such dividend or

bonus and for the purposes of this

Clause a Resolution shall be an Ex-

traordinary Resolution when it has

been passed by a majority or not less

than two-thirds of such members of the

Class entitled to vote as are present in

person or by proxy at a separate

General Meeting of the Class of which

Notice specifying the intention to

propose the Resolution as an Extraor-

dinary Resolution has been duly given

and so that the quorum of any such

Meeting shall be three members at

least of the Class and so that the

Meeting shall be called in accordance

tures or Debenture stock of the

Company or of any other Company or

in any one or more of such ways

and the General Managers shall give

effect to such direction and where any

difficulty arises in regard to the

distribution they may settle the same as

they think expedient and in particular

may issue fractional Certificates and

may fix the value for distribution of

the General Managers. Where re-

quisite a proper contract shall be filed in accordance with Section 7 of the

Companies' Act, 1900, and the General

Managers may appoint any person to

sign such contract on behalf of the

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to any such Agreement that it

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5. Whenever the Capital of the Company is divided into several Classes of Shares all or any of the rights and privileges R. LOWE, attached to any Class may be modified altered sub-divided re-arranged or dealt Socretary. with by Special Resolution of the Company passed pursuant to an

as follows:-

MARINE-INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

INTIMATIONS

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

TN Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFI-

all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be

CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC

SATURDAY, the 1st January.

BUSINESS on the following days :-

MONDAY, the 3rd

Hongkong, 21st December, 1909.

By Order,

CATION No. 804 of 17th December, 1909,

MONDAY.

N Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFIC CATION No. 804 of 17th December, 1909, all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on the following days:--SATURDAY, the 1st January. MONDAY, the 3rd

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secrotary. Hongkong, 21st December, 1909.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will not be Responsible for any Debt contracted by his wife, ELIZA MARIA FERNANDEZ. M. A. FERNANDEZ. Hongkong, 30th December, 1909

CHARGEURS REUNIS.

Tay mutual agreement between Compagnie des MESSAGERIES MARITIMES and the Compagnie des CHARGEURS REUNIS, the Hongkong Agency of the CHARGEUES REUNIS will from the 1st of January, 1910, be transferred to MESSES. P. A. LÁPICQUE & Co. (Queen's Building, No. 4).

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BEKANNTMACHUNG.

FIE Bekanntmachung aus dem diesseitigen Handelsregister, sowie andere gesetzlich vorgeschriebene Veroeffentlichungen werden im Jahre 1910 durch.

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KONSULAT. Swatau, den 16. Dezember 1909.

BEKANNTMACHUNG.

TIE amtlichen Bekanntmachungen des Kniserlich Deutschen Konsulats in Canton werden wahrend des Jahres 1910 im OSTASIATISCHEN LLOYD der CANTON WEEKLY NEWS und nach Bedarf auch in der HONGKONG DAILY PRESS veroffentlicht werden. KAISERLISH DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.

Canton, den 15, Dezember, 1909.

_AGENCIES:-YOKOHAMA: M. ASADA, Esq. CHINKIANG: Messrs. GEARING & Co. MANILA: Messis. MACONDRAY & Co. For Particulars apply to

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RUBBERS.—The market has ruled very firm

with a continual upward tendency, following the

London and Straits Markets. Anglo-Malays

have changed hands in fairly large lots at 14/6,

15/, 15/6, 15/9, and at time of closing at 16/6, Ledbury's have been in demand and sales at 50/

and 53/9 have resulted. Castlefields after a

period of inaction are now enquired for at 56/-

after sales at 55/ and 56/6. Shelfords have.

recovered to 35/, and Kuals Lumpurs are

wanted at the enhanced rate of £5.7.6. Bal-

gownies have ruled rather with some small

sellers in the Straits at 78. Highlands and

Lowlands after a long period of inaction have

again come into demand, and shares are wanted

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have de-

lined to 12 with sellers and no sales to report.

Cements have been placed at 74 and more

shares are wanted at the rate. Union Waters

have declined to 'O with sales, and Watson's

close at 7 sellers. Other stocks under this

MR. BALFOUR AND THE COTTON

SUPPLY.

PUBLIC AID ADVOCATED.

Mr. Balfour has sent the following letter to a

My Dear Sir,-I am very sensible of the

To mitigate or obviate these evils much

may be done, and much ought to be done.

by private enterprise to extend the area of

production within the British Empire. But

I entertain doubts whether private enterprise

will be sufficient, and in my judgment, there-

fore, private enterprise should be supplemented

In what precise shape public aid should be

rendered must be a matter for future considera-

tion; but it may encourage the labours of the

Cotton Growing Association of Manchester, in

whose work I have long been interested, to

know that so far as my friends and I are con-

cerned the principle of public assistance is

thus explicitly laid down.-Believe me. yours

A Manchester correspondent says that Mr.

Balfour's letter promising public assistance to

supplement private enterprise in developing the

cotton-growing areas within the British Empire

was warmly discussed in Manchester. In trade

circles its importance was discounted by the know-

ledge that already the British Cotton Growing

Association has received valuable help from the

present Government, through Mr. Winston

Churchill and Colonel Seely's personal interest, and from the late Conservative Government,

through the keen and zealous interst of the

Duke of Marlborough, the latter having

been one of the movement's warmest friends, not only whilst he was at the Colonial-

Office, but since that time. Mr. Hutton,

the chairman of the Executive Council of

the Association, expressed his appreciation of the light thou but received from succeeding Governments, and added, "Wo feel perfectly certain

that any assistance as suggested by Mr. Balfour

would be of the greatest help. We have been

in communication with the permament officials of the Colonial Office, with a view to obtaining

a grant of £10,000 a year for pioneering and

experimental work, which we would otherwise

have been compelled to give up simply for want

ARTHUR JAMES BALFOUR.

House of Commons, Dec. 2, 1909.

heading call for no remarks.

cotton for their own industry.

correspondent:-

changes in the Northern Mills.

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Bauxs. Hongkong and Shanghais have close a few have changed hands at the close a rates of the same had at the improved steady, but at the close a steady, but at the close a steady, but with a few small sellers at the latter rate. The had few small sellers at the latter Reuter is \$21.10 had and without had been leading to the gambling instinct. While Mr. Carnegie does not dwell on the record and examples of his own career, they fit in perfectly with his theory. He is closing life with the record of having accumulated several hundred millions of dollars, and in achieving this remillions of dollars, and in achieving this remarkable success, he never bought or sold a neglected. Chinas are on offer at 118 without single bond or share in any of the stock leading to business.

markets of the world, has never gambled in . Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macaos wheat or cotton, attended horse races and have found further buyers at 32, and close backed winners, or engaged in lettery operations; and, as if this were not enough, he has at quotations but sellers are scarce and we have

never cornered a market or fixed up an affair no business to report. Other stocks under this o do his friends down.

While Mr. Carnegie deprecates the mania for Refine les:—China Sugars have been in to do his friends down. stock and all other speculation, and moves us request at 155, but no sellers came out over the with the stories of the blighted careers of those settlements under 156, at which latter rate a who have tried to get rich and failed, he does few shares changed hands. At time of closing not seem to realise that the only essential the market is firmer at 157. Luzons continue difference between his own career and those of on offer at 21 without finding buyers. the men he condemns is that where he succeed- MINING.—We have no changes or business ed, they did not. He had a longer head than to report under this heading. the others, saw clearer and further, was more Docks, Wharves and Godowns .- Honglucky, may I say, and came out on top. The kong and Whampoa Docks have been placed others essayed to do the same things he did, in during the week at 51 and 50, closing with degree, and failed. Had the tables been turned, buyers at the latter rate. Kowloon Wharves and Carnegie failed, the finger of scorn might have found small buyers at 61. The Shanghai just as easily have been pointed at him by some | stocks under this heading are unchanged and successful captain of industry, as a man who without any local business.

tried to get rich quick but could not. The man who speculates in stocks in this or kong Lands continue steady at 102 with small any other country and loses his money is not sales. Humphreys have changed hands at 81 essentially different morally from the man who and Hotels at quotations. Others stocks under peculates and wins. And the speculator in this heading remain unchanged and without stock on a small scale is not essentially different | business. from the man who tries to take advantage of | Corron Mills.-Hongkongs are a little any other opportunity in which he thinks he weaker with sales and sellers at 6.15. In the sees a chance of gain. The acts in all cases are absence of advices from the North we make no essentially alike, the difference of success or failure being results of judgment or intelligence. These latter are the only things which made Carnegie and other great captains of industry successes in phenomenal degrees, where thousands have been dismal failures.

A GREAT SPECULATION. Mr. Carnegie may not be conscious of it, but he has been the greatest speculator of all time, Every page of his active life bristles with the speculative mania. He early foresaw the opportunities of the Bessemer process and speculated on them to the limit; he reached out with others for the control of ore and coal deposits and staked his all on their possession; he built milroads to gain exclusive rights of way; he built steamer lines to get to and open up the great ore deposits of Lake Superior; he so tied up the railroads that they were largely at his mercy, and he built broadly in other ways to reap the vast benefits which he expected would accrue in the next generation through the great expansion in population and consequent increase in consumptive power of his products by the community. In doing all these things he was building for the future, as every speculator does, large or small, and getting himself in position to be able to "cash in," as the saying is, and take his profits. The latter he succeeded in doing in 1901, when he sold out

his entire business interests to Mr. Mogan and

his associates for a fabulous sum. A CONCRETE EXAMPLE. Now what essential difference is there between the forty-year coup of Mr. Carnegie's in the field of speculation, and the purchase of a serious character of the problem connected with few shares of Union Pacific stock by an in- the supply of raw cotton which has now for dividual speculator in 1899 on a ten-point some years engaged the anxious attention of the margin (Carnegie worked on a far narrower more far-sighted of those, whether employers or margin at first) with the intention of holding employed, who are concerned with the great the stock a long period for a rise? An industry of Lancashire. intelligent stock speculator in 1899 would | We have to deal with two dangers. From have bought Union Pacific at \$40 per the first I fear that Lancashire is already share, because he believed he foresaw a won- acutely suffering, and it arises from the fact derful future for the property in the growing | that so much of the world's supply of cotton up of the Western Country in population, is grown in one area, and that its annual price industry, and wealth. And he would have therefore largely depends upon a single set of made no mistake in doing this. The stock never | climatic conditions. The second danger is again sold below \$40 per share, and the buyer | somewhat more remote, but not the less forwould to-day have had an actual profit in each | midable, and it arises from the fact that we are share so bought of \$160, four times the original within measurable distance of a time when the cost. With a ten-point margin of £20 he United States will require all their home-grown could to-day have security worth about £400, or an approximate net profit of £320 on a total investment of £20. He would simply be doing on a small scale what Mr. Carnegie and others have done on a vast scale.

MANY KINDS OF SPECULATORS. While Mr. Carnegie is a speculator of colossal type, we have others in closer touch with the actual stock markets, who declare that they never speculate, and are constantly preaching on the dangers and disasters of speculation. One of these is the man who says he "never speculates in stocks, but buys only what I can pay for. He is really a sufferer almost as frequently as the man who buys on margin. He is generally a "sticker"-one who never lets go. He buys a security that he believes in, and so strong is his confidence that he will not accept a generous profit if it is offered him, and he is still more tenacious when a loss is growing. His temperament will not admit of the possibility of an eventual loss, but the rule (with the exceptions) is that he will finally take his loss when has reached its greatest proportions.-The

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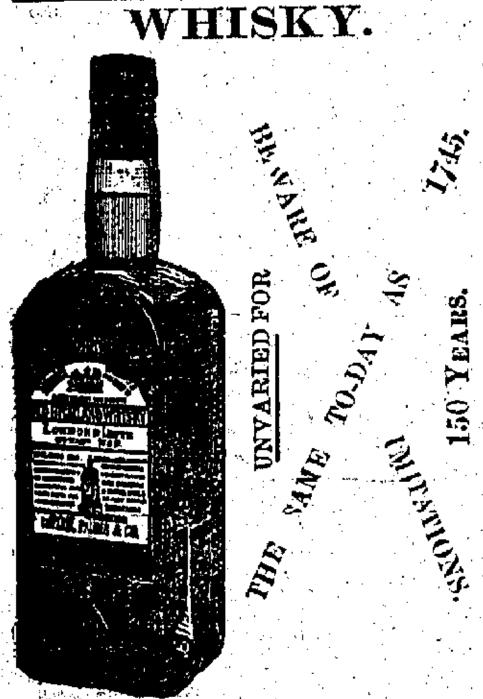
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WED'DAY, 19th Jan.

from YOKOHAMA.

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To day, and on Monday, the 3rd of January, 1910, the office will be open from 8 till 9 n.m. In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on the 3rd January, the Post Office will open for one hour only for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery and one collection of letters as on Sunday, and the Money Order Office will be entirely closed on the above dates. 50 cents each. Postal Guides for the Year 1910, are now on sale

NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

The Siberial mail will in future be sent from Shanghai to Dalny via Chefoo if no steamer is available from Shanghai to Dalny direct. The Nera, with the French mail of the 3rd December, left Saigon on Saturday, the 1st

Jan., at 4 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 4th Jan., at daylight. This packet brings replied to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th October. SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCN..

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Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m. A mail for Long Island (Choung Chow) will be despatched per steam launch Hoi Yuen * No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

TQ-DAY. 2.15 p.m.—Fifth Annual Sports of Children's Races, Kowloon Cricket Club.

P.M.—Bandmann No. 1 Comedy Co. at Theatre Royal- 'Fucing the Music.' FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Monday, 3rd Jan .- Bank Hollday. Thursday, 6th Jan .-- Auction of Old and Condemned P. W. D. Stores, by Messrs.

Saturday, 15th Jan.—Extraordinary General Meeting, The China Light & Power Co., Ld. Thursday, 10th Feb.—China New Year, Monday, 14th Feb.—King Alfred Dance, City Tuesday, 15th Feb.—Hongkong Jockey Club Races begin.

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> VESSELS EXPERIED THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The C.N. Co.'s str. Changeha from Austra. may be expected here on Monday. The I.G.M. str. Coblens left Sydney Thursday, the 16th ult., at noon, and may expected here on or about Friday, the 7th inst

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Apenr str. Arratoon Apear from Calen left Singapore on the 28th ultimo afternou and may be expected here on or about the

THE PRENCH MAIL. The M.M. str. Nera with the French Mail of the 5th ult., and mails from London of the 4th ult., left Saigon on the 1st inst., at 4 a.m., and is expected to arrive here on or about Tuesday morning, the 4th instant, and will probably leave for Shanghai and Japan the same

THE CANADIAN MAIL. The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 18th ultimo a.m., via the usual ports of call. THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. Asia left Yokehama on the 27th ultimo, and is scheduled to arrive at this port on the 5th inst. MERCHANT STRAMERS.

The P. & O. str. Sumatra left Singapore for this port on the 25th ult., at 3 p.m., and is due The C.N. Co.'s str. Linan-left Shanghai on the 30th ult., and may be expected here to-

The str. Knight of Thistle left Tacoma on the 18th ultimo for Yokohama, Kobe, Moji, Hongkong and Manila.

The Bank Line str. Oceano left Vancouver on the 21st ult. for Hongkong via Japan ports. The N.Y.K. str. Totomi Maru (Bombay Line) left Singapore on the 25th ult., and is expected here on the 3rd inst. The N.Y.K. str. Tango Maru (European

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A SUBSTITUTE FOR POCKETS. other day I even saw a velvet skirt made full all our outlines are for the most part kept severely Miltonic view of their husbands or of the married flat, there is no fulness of any kind above the state. kness, and the selace of a pocket in which any. Before smarriage her most salient charthing may be kept is still sternly denied to us actoristic is her determination to be "effiby our tailors and dressmakers. They always | cient." So much has she absorbed of hated pockets, now they simply forbid them-if | the Zeitgeist that she would not tolerate for you want to put anything in them, that is to a moment the slipshed training, the amateur say: pockets as a mere adornment your tailor | methods, of the Victorian daughter. Whatdoes occasionally give-but these are a mock- ever she sets hand to she does thoroughly. In ery and a derision. It is hard to imagine | whatever direction her tastes incline she will why we submit to such tyranny as this, tread the thorny path which leads to perfection. but "sufference is the badge of all our tribe," It may be painting or gardening, bridge or and we are allowed a substitute that is surgery, politics or polite conversation; to all sometimes quite efficient, in the shape of a little | these things she brings an enthusiasm and a hand-bag. They are rather troublesome to power of concentration which are not always to carry, they are very easy to lose, and some of be seen among her young masculine contemus have found it difficult now and then to dis- poraries. I know a peerless young beauty who tinguish our own from other people's. This can mend a table or chair with a neatness and difficulty, at least, is likely to be removed by the dexterity which would put to the blush a British latest fashion in hand-bags. It is becoming carpenter—if that skilled artisan were not not the thing to have a piece of the same material toriously incapable of any such manifestation as one's costume mounted upon a little metal of modesty. I have seen an ingénue, not long top, generally silver. Bags of this kind are ont of the schoolroom, rise in a Mayfair drawingaltogether pretty, convenient, and practical; room and make a creditable speech in favour of they might be still further improved if some woman's franchise, and have beheld a youthful enterprising manufacturer would make metal lady at the Horse Show tooling a four-in-hand tops into which bags of different kinds could with the coolness of a professional whip. easily be inserted. It is a long and expensive business to wait while a piece of each walking These things are not isolated phenomena, but dress is sent to a workman to be fitted with a facts which are extremely characteristic of the top, and at present it seems always spirit of our youngest womenfolk. If they show necessary to send all the way to Paris. A piece a marked ambition to use their brains they are of leather might be fixed in the metal top, at the same time equally ready with their hands projecting about half an inch or less and and arms, and among the lighter-hearted of the provided with eyelet holes along its lower edge, sex there is a strong disposition to tussle with to which any kind of bag could easily be boys of their own age and try feats of strength fastened in such a way as completely to hide the on lawn or sands. And the victory is not always leather; or a little rod might run along the to the virile half of humanity. The spectacle inside of the metal bag-top, with tiny silver rings of a twentieth century Rosalind wrestling with upon it to which the bag might be fastened; or Orlando, instead of heaving sighs among a the top might be provided with flexible teeth all | wilderness of boughs, is indeed a diverting, as along its lower edge, that could be pushed well as significant, sign of her progression. through the material and then folded back so as But if the modern girl is a little inclined to hold the bag firmly in position. Any of to sunb her boy contemporaries, she is all

matter of course, as part of the costume. THE WANING POPULARITY OF COLOURS. to have a bag of this kind made is without doubt | beauty, and are loyal to each other in a way the black velvet. Black velvet, especially when trimmed with fur, is a favourite material for costumes of all kinds, and it is also very much used for trimming costumes made of other materials. A beautiful evening dress that I saw the other day had triangular pieces of black velvet pretending to hide openings both back and front that did not exist, the real openings | regiment. being completely disguised by the folds of the beautiful black lace that was draped over the black satin, A band of velvet like a sort of half sash went across the front just below the knees, and below it the skirt flowed out into consider. able fulness:

ing, many women never look to well in anything else; but in an ordinary ball-room, unless you have pink coats, kilts, or uniforms, the magpie colouring of all the men is quite enough to subdue the general effect, and it seems a pity that the dresses of the women should tend towards a sombre uniformity.

There is, however, generally some little touch of colour about a black evening dress, some bright-coloured lining allowed to show here and there, or some exquisite shades in the embroidery that nearly always add to the effect. It is the thing at present for the heels of the shoes to match this touch of relieving colour, and the effect is very pretty.

EVENING DEESS. The sleeves of evening dresses are by no means invariably short this year; often they come quite to the elbow. Sometimes, however, they are still made quite inconsiderable; in a classically draped costume, for instance, I once saw a mere string of pearls across the shoulder used to keep the corsage in place. The wearer of the dress had an unusually beautiful neck and shoulders, but the whole effect of the costume was hardly satisfying. A very beautiful gown worn on the same occasion by a handsome | tion of an illicit love. These feminine vagaries brunette was in delicate shades of mauve. may not be edifying, and are, indeed, from Elaborate embroidery clung closely to the figure many aspects deplorable, but it is significant of a changing society that two masculine writers, hips, a pleated bodice ascended and a kilted and not feminine writers, have voiced the deskirt descended from this justaucorps, and the termination of the modern girl to choose a steeves consisted chiefly of broad bands of the same kind of embroidery. CALLING COSTUMES.

For afternoon dresses lace and embroidery are still very much worn as trimmings. Sometimes cream or white lace is inserted round the neck, and then the rest of the costume is trimmed seen on the surface when waters are churned up with lace of gold, silver, or steel that reproduces emotly the same pattern. There is still a passion for everything that glitters, and dresses are occasionally so thickly covered with jet beads that their wearers are quite weighed down by their burden. Sometimes two kinds of fur are used together, the one as a trimming to the other; but in the ordinary way care must be taken not to use different kinds of fur for different parts of the costume:-Hat, muff, stole, edging, all must correspond. For instance, a skunk stole may be bordered with ermine, but a skunk stole must not be worn with an ermine

I came across a walking costume the other day that had a very quaint effect. A long straight cut black velvet coat, with a ermine fichu, cuffs, and lining, was worn with a large hat of black felt, white gloves, and rather broadtoed shoes tied with the new broad ribbon laces that make a large and handsome bow. The result of the whole was a suggestion of a priest's

costume, infinitely becoming to the charming White gloves are said to be going out, but they will die hard—they are very convenient; carefully washed in water that is only just warm they will look like new for a surprisingly long time. - From The Times.

> THE NEW GIRLS [BY ELLA HEPWORTH DIXON.]

The modern girl, with all her amazing mental and physical developments, occupies in these islands, in virtue of her numbers, the front row of the young generation which is loudly knocking at the door. To the timid reactionary, who sees in every change a social catastrophe, the most disquieting characteristic of this young creature is that she is physically as big as and sometimes bigger than her brother. These pessimists may be heard quoting por-tentous examples from natural history, such it as that of certain independent lady insects who made short work of the more diminutive males by eating them, or more prudently hanging them up in their winter larder for future

consumption. QUITE FRIENDLY.

It is needless, however, to distress ourselves with dismal prophecies of this kind, for the modern girl, though extraordinarily muscular drugs are a foolish mistake, but intelligent and vigorous, shows no hostility towards her boy attention to diet and exercise will work wonders, friends. Indeed, she generally adopts a genial and the present style of dress imperatively and tolerant attitude towards them until her she has a short fit of hero-worship, which is finally extinguished by marriage. For those We are not quite so severe as we were; the specimens of the modern young person whom we have been privileged to see turned into wives round in the fashion of the later eighties; still have far too keen a sense of humour to take the

inclined to Romp.

these devices would make it easy for one's maid diplomacy, sympathy, and tact to those she to slip into the bagtop a bag to match any would call the "right sort" of her own sex. costume that was going to be worn, as a bag | Envy, malice, and spite have no part in her would be made by the tailor or dressmaker, as a breezy and tolerant outlook. It is notorious that the younger feminine generation admire each other—even to excess. They dwell on At present the most useful material in which each other's good points, extol each other's Victorian girl could not have conceived. They have grasped the elemental truth that union is strength, and the solidarity of women is now a fact which no one can afford to ignore. The young girls of to-day have something of the same spirit of mutual admiration and easy goodfellowship as the officers of a crack cavalry

With all these shining and attractive qualities, old-fashioned people, are somewhat disconcerted by the manners of the modern girl. Critics are heard protesting that she is selfassertive, arrogant, brusque, and wanting, in a word, in those social graces, those snave It is true that black is very generally becom- amenities which keep a somewhat hypocritical society running easily on its wheels. Othersnotably so keen an observer as Mr. Max Beerbohm-declare that in deportment she is altogether deficient, that she "flops" into chairs, bangs out of rooms, and has none of the docility proper to her age and sex.

> EMANCIPATION. Moreover, two novelists of the first rank, Mr. H. G. Wells and Mr. Maurice Hewlett, have simultaneously discovered that the latest feminine product is, above all, determined to exercise the right of choice in marriage, which has so long been debarred her owing to her economical dependence on man. Mr. Wells has been blamed in reactionary journals for having depicted a young lady as acting in pre-cisely the same way in which George Eliot seted in the most smug period of the Victorian era; but if Aun Veronica sends her cap flying over the mill, leaving a faithful and gentle lover disconsolate, so also does the more spiritualised Sanchia of Mr. Maurice Hewlett's "Open Country." Both girls leave prosperous, middleclass homes and try to earn—with scant success -their own livings, and both throw over legitimate adorers for the overwhelming attrachusband, instead of being handed over or sold to one. If these manifestations of feminine independence are somewhat horrifying to a complacent society, we must remember that though outwardly placed, that society is stirred profoundly, and that strange phenomena are

from below. The English girl-old or new-is generally the possessor-of-good health and good sense, and with these elements of success in life she is well equipped to attain it. Thus, as she is strong, so will she be merciful. In spite of her gigantic stature and powerful muscles we may indubitably count on her never laying her hand upon a man save in kindness; and that her sense of humour and her tact will prevent her masculine contemporaries feeling too keenly the physical and mental equality with herself to which they seem doomed.

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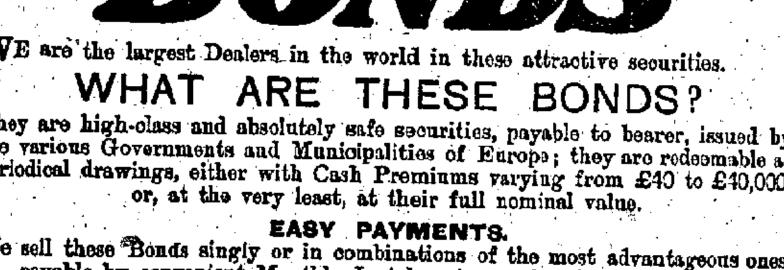
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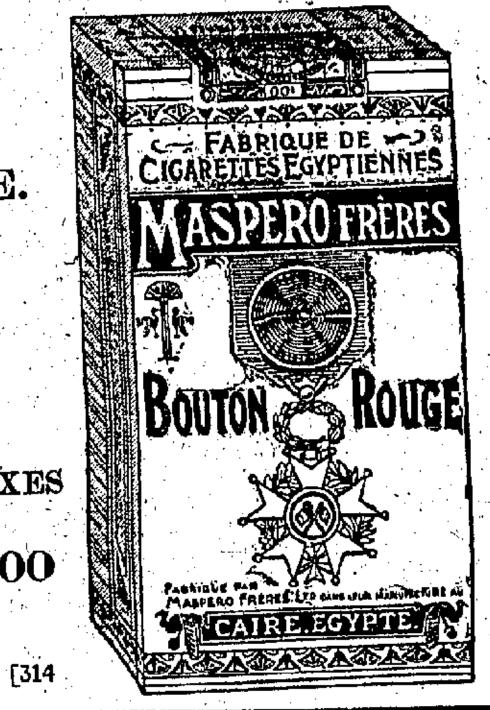
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